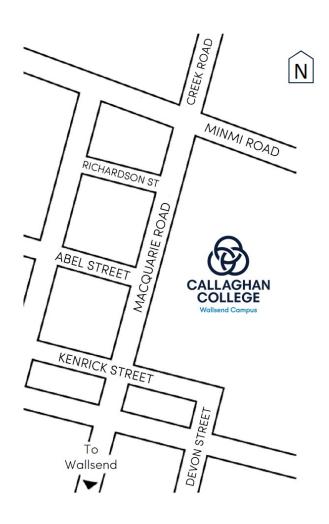




Welcome to Callaghan College Wallsend Campus

Year 7 Orientation Handbook for students and their families

2022



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Principal's Welcome



Welcome to Callaghan College Wallsend Campus

At Callaghan College Wallsend Campus (CCWC) we are committed to educating our diverse community within an environment of inclusion. High expectations challenge our students to develop their potential and grow holistically through an engaging and safe learning environment.

Our school has a very committed school community, executive, teaching and administrative staff. We are a leader in the use of technology for learning, management and administration and provide outstanding academic, cultural and sporting opportunities for all students. Our staff and teachers are highly committed to excellence in teaching and developing future-focused learners to ensure students move successfully into their future career and educational pathways.

As part of our school community, students are encouraged to focus on excellence in learning, foster positive relationships and demonstrate respect and responsibility for themselves and their school.

Our school is an agile, responsive and innovative learning environment where we aim to ensure every student is known, valued and cared for. Being a part of Callaghan College at the Wallsend Campus is a wonderful experience. Join us and see.

Paul Taylor Principal Callaghan College Wallsend Campus



What it means to be part of Callaghan College

Welcome to your Callaghan College learning community. Our College provides outstanding educational opportunities for Year 7 to Year 12 students across the unique learning environment of three campuses - Wallsend, Waratah and our senior campus at Jesmond. Our College motto is Collaborating to Empower Learners as all three campuses work together to provide you with your future learning pathway.

Every student at Callaghan is known, valued and cared for. There are a world of opportunities which await you at Callaghan and your learning experience will provide a diverse and personalised approach which will see you thrive in secondary schooling. Our expert staff are excited to welcome you and share their passion for learning along with you.

We are proud to have you as a student of Callaghan College and look forward to your learning journey.

Kylee Owen Principal Callaghan College

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PHOTO DAY



FRIDAY 4 FEBRUARY 2022

All students will be photographed on the day, you can order your copy online, see the MSP Photography flyer for more details.

Packs range from approximately \$41.00 to around \$55.00 and all orders, along with payment, must be made by Friday 11 February 2022.

Important dates

Tuesday 1 February Day 1 for Year 7 2022 only

Wednesday 2 February Years 8 - 10 return for 2022

Friday 4 February School Photos (catch up day Tuesday 8 February 2022)

Early February College Swimming Carnival for competitive swimmers (date to be advised) (includes students from Waratah and Jesmond Campuses)

Friday 11 March Wallsend Campus Fun Swimming Carnival

Monday 14 March Year 7 Camp (Aussie Bush Camp) commences, returning

Wednesday 16 March (see page 23 for more details)

Tuesday 8 March Year 7 Immunisation (HPV Dose 1)

Getting started

Year Advisors Welcome

Tuesday 1 February 2022 marks the beginning of your new schooling journey here at Callaghan College Wallsend Campus and as your Year Advisors we look forward to supporting you throughout your journey from Year 7 to Year 10.

Our role will be to help you make the transition from primary to high school as enjoyable and seamless as possible. With a new school there will be new challenges too such as "How to read a timetable", "How to get from the oval to English class without getting lost" and the all important "How much money will be needed for canteen lunch?"

From what to do on your first day through to all the stationary you will need for each class, this booklet has been put together with all these questions and more in mind so that you will be able to rest easy and be confident about starting your time here at Wallsend Campus.

We encourage families to go through this booklet together and practice some of the new routines. Please contact the school if you have any further questions.

Welcome to Year 7!

Jenny Hall Year 7 Advisor, Languages teacher

Aaron Hoffman Year 7 Advisor, Science teacher







Getting ready for high school

Tips to help you thrive in your new school routine

What to wear

- Dress and groom yourself neatly in school uniform
- Make sure you have appropriate shoes for lessons, e.g. lace up joggers if you are doing PE or Sport, or fully enclosed leather upper shoes if you have any practical subjects like Technology (Mandatory), Visual Art or Science
- Take pride in your appearance as a Callaghan College student (see full details about uniform requirements on page 9)

What to pack

- Read your timetable and check the Daily Notices on Student Sentral each day to help you work out what you need to pack (full details about equipment requirements on page 12)
- Pack your bag, checking you have all materials needed for your classes each day
- Bring your drink bottle, recess and lunch, or some money to purchase from the canteen
- Consider using a diary to record homework and other important information
- LABEL EVERYTHING, especially jumpers/jackets and hats



What to leave at home

- Chewing gum and Iollies
- Permanent markers
- Soft drinks, high caffeine and energy drinks
- Aerosol deodorants (bring roll-on deodorant only)
- Items of clothing that are not uniform e.g. branded clothing
- Medication, unless registered with the Administration Office (please see them to collect the required paperwork if you need to take medication at school)

Finding your way around

- Familiarise yourself with the campus map on page 34 of this book
- Highlight on the map the locations of the classrooms on your timetable (you will receive your timetable on Day 1)
- Keep to the left in corridors when you are making your way around the school
- If you aren't sure where to go, ask another student or staff member for help



School values and expectations

- Speak and listen to adults and peers with respect and politeness
- Respect school facilities, equipment, and the CCWC environment
- Come to class ready to learn, stay on task and work to the best of your ability
- Keep personal electronic devices on silent and in your bag during class time (unless otherwise directed)
- Work well with others (see more details about our School Values on page 26.

Getting to and from school

Bus Travel: To find out which bus you should catch, check the TRIP PLANNER on the Transport

NSW website - https://transportnsw.info/trip - make sure you select 'School bus'

under the 'Refine' tab.

Ensure you swipe your Opal card when boarding and disembarking the bus. If you

do not have your Opal Card, you may not be allowed to board the bus.

Opal Card: Eligible students can apply online for a Student Opal Card. Check their website

www.opal.com.au for more information and the link to apply.

Bike/scooter: Bike racks are available at the front of the school, please bring your own chain and

padlock.

Walking: Road safety must be practiced at all times! Please make sure you walk safely to

school and only enter the school via pedestrian gates, not through a vehicle access.

My first week of high school

Snapshot of what will happen on your first few days

Tuesday 1 February 2022 First day for Year 7 only

We commence our school year with Year 7 starting before all other Year groups, to allow you to become more familiar with the school and meet the staff before all the other students commence.

Please meet in the hall when the bell goes at 8.55am for a welcome assembly.

After the assembly, you will receive your timetable and you will follow your Class Teacher to your first classroom.

You will follow your timetable for Periods 2 to 5, having two 30 minute breaks during the day, one at 11.00am and one at 1.30pm. The canteen is open during both breaks.

You don't need to worry about getting lost because all Year 7 meet under the COLA between each period and you will be guided to your next lesson.

After Period 5 you will leave for home. Please make sure you know how you will be getting home on the day. If you are being picked up, make sure you know who is picking you up and where to meet them.

If you are catching the bus, go straight to the COLA and the teacher on Bus Duty will show you where to wait. Please make sure you know what bus number you need to catch.

See page 25 for bell times.

Wednesday 2 February 2022 Years 8, 9 and 10 return to school

Arrive at school before 8.55am and move promptly to the COLA when the bell rings.

Please sit in the same class group and area that you were in on the first day.

You will participate in lessons as per your timetable. You will have two 30 minute breaks during the day, one at 11.00am and one at 1.30pm. The canteen is open during both breaks.

School finishes at 3.00pm on Monday to Thursday and 1.30pm on Fridays.

If you or your parents have been through this book but still have an urgent question before Tuesday 1 February, you can call our Administration Office from 8.30am to 3.15pm on Friday 28 January and Monday 31 January 2022. Please keep in mind that the phones may be unattended periodically during those two days due to staff training.

Getting home...

Make sure you know how you are getting home, such as where to meet your parent/carer, what bus you will be catching or what route you will be walking home, and who you will be walking with.

YOUR 2022 STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Welcome to Callaghan College Wallsend Campus. We are proud to be your Student Leaders in 2022.

There are plenty of opportunities for students to have fun at high school. Check out some of the activities you can participate in on page 17. It's a great way to meet other students from across the campus.

Feel free to come and say hi if you see us around. We are happy to answer any of your questions.



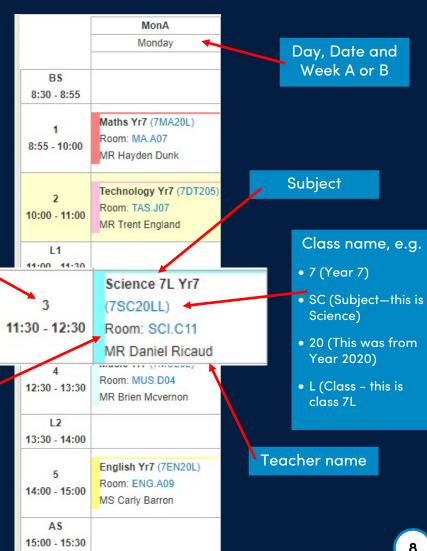
How to read your timetable

You will be provided with a timetable on the first day of school. The live timetable is available for students and families on Sentral, Edval and parents/carers can view it via the Sentral Parent Portal.

Period number and time

Room

- SCI (This is a Science classroom)
- C11 (This classroom is in Block C, classroom 11)



What do I wear?

OPENING HOURS
Mon 2.30-3.30
Wed 8.15-9.15
Fri 1.00-2.00
(Not open Mondays in Term3)



Online orders:

Collect from the Uniform Shop

www.countryfeelinguniforms.com.au country.feeling@bigpond.com

0414 651 211

UNISEX

| Polo – Short sleeve | \$32 |
|----------------------------|------|
| Polo – Long sleeve | \$35 |
| Sports Polo – Short sleeve | \$35 |
| Sports Polo – Long sleeve | TBC |
| Sports Shorts | \$25 |
| Sports Pants – Long | TBC |
| Tie | \$22 |
| Scarf/Hijab | TBC |
| Сар | TBC |

GIRLS/BOYS

| Shirt – Short sleeve | \$30 |
|----------------------|------|
| Shirt – Long sleeve | \$33 |
| Dress Shorts | \$35 |
| Long Pants | TBC |
| Skirt – Tartan | \$50 |
| Dress – Tartan | \$58 |
| Jumper – Fleece | \$38 |
| Jacket – Soft shell | TBC |
| Blazer | TBC |

Order uniforms online now!

While COVID-19 restrictions are in place, only one customer is permitted in the shop at any one time. This may result in longer than usual waiting times during peak periods. Country Feeling Uniform Shop highly recommend that you order online via their website, meaning your order is delivered directly to your door. This incurs a flat \$10 delivery charge.

Country Feeling Uniforms have lots of information regarding uniform items on their website. This includes measurements so you should be able to order with confidence using only a tape measure. If for any reason the size you order is incorrect, they can arrange a size exchange for items that are in their original packaging and have not been worn.

EXTENDED TRADING HOURS IN JANUARY 2022

| Tuesday 11 January | 3.00pm - 6.00pm |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Thursday 13 January | 9.00am - 12.00pm |
| Saturday 15 January | 11.00am - 2.00pm |
| Wednesday 19 January | 3.00pm - 6.00pm |
| Friday 21 January | 9.00am - 12.00pm |
| Tuesday 25 January | 9.00pm - 12.00pm |
| Thursday 27 January | 3.00pm - 6.00pm |
| Saturday 29 January | 11.00am - 2.00pm |
| Monday 31 January | 9.00am - 12.00pm |
| Monday 31 January | 2.30pm - 3.30pm |

Brand new uniform

We are introducing a brand-new uniform Year 7 2022 will be the first year group to wear it. You can choose from a range of options – whether you prefer to wear shorts, long pants, or even a dress. You don't have to buy every item – we are just offering more choices to suit your preferences.

Everyday uniform items

Button up white shirt or white polo shirt with any combination of the following (all shirts are available in short and long sleeves):

- Shorts (male/female colour ink)
- Long pants (male/female colour ink)
- Callaghan skirt (wrap around, tartan)
- Callaghan dress (tartan)
- V-neck Campus fleece jumper (unisex, colour ink)
- Campus blazer (unisex, colour ink with blue trim)
- Callaghan softshell jacket (unisex, colour ink)
- Black or white socks
- Black leather shoes (must have solid soles and fully enclosed leather uppers to meet Workplace Health and Safety standards in all areas of the school)

Sports uniform for Friday sport and PE classes:

- Polo Shirt Sports short sleeve, long sleeve (unisex, colour ink, blue detail)
- Sports shorts (unisex, colour ink)
- Sports track pants (unisex, colour ink with blue trim)
- Sport shoes/joggers must be worn

Optional accessories

- Wallsend Campus tie
- Callaghan cap (ink or navy)
- Callaghan scarf (for hijab or other)





Boys everyday uniform options



Girls everyday uniform options



Unisex sports uniform options



Technology © CCWC

Wallsend Campus is a BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) school, and as such, you may bring a personal learning device (e.g. laptop or similar) to school to support your learning. Lots more information can be found on our website regarding BYOD, including the user agreement which will need to be signed. It is important to understand that the school takes no responsibility for the device and technical support is minimal.



Our online systems

Please visit our website to find out all about these systems and more. https://wallsend-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/technology---ccwc.html



Canvas for Parents: Canvas allows parents and carers to observe your learning. They CANVAS can download the Canvas App from the App Store or Google Play.



Sentral Parent Portal - Parents and Carers of students can contact teachers and see live data regarding SENTRAL reactions and see
Parent Portal their student's attendance, reports, parent/teacher interviews etc.



Looking to purchase a BYOD? Callaghan College has partnered with HP BYOD School Program Australia for families who are looking at purchasing a device at a discounted price. Visit https://store.hp.com/au-en/byod/callaghanbyod (when prompted, use the code CallaghanC)

Mobile phones at school

You can bring your mobile phone to school, but during class time it must be in your bag, either turned off or on flight mode.

Just remember, if your teacher asks you to put your phone away and you refuse, it may get confiscated. If that happens you can collect it from the Administration Office at the end of the day.

Sometimes your phone may be used as part of a lesson. Your class teacher will tell you when it is ok to use your phone in class.

There is more information on Mobile Phones in Schools in the Policy Library on the Department of Education's website (policies.education.nsw.gov.au). Search "Technology, Devices and the Internet" to find out more.

Devices and the law

There are laws which govern the recording of sound and vision.

Students are not to record at any time whilst on the school premises or on a school activity without permission of a teacher.

Stationery and resources

Listed below are the requirements for Year 7. These may be ordered online through Stuart and Dunn Office Choice. Alternatively, use the list below to purchase items from a retailer of your choice.

- These items are included in the Stuart and Dunn book pack ordering details below.
- These items are also available to purchase from the our Administration Office

| ITEM/SUBJECT | | ITEM/SUBJECT | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|-----|--|
| English | | Mathematics | | |
| 1 x 128 page A4 book with margin | • | 1 x 128 page standard Exercise book | • | |
| 1 x 128 page standard Exercise book | • | 1 x Casio FX-82AU Plus2 Calculator | • • | |
| 1 x Post-it notepad | • | Science | | |
| 1 x Highlighter | | 2 x 128 page standard Exercise book | • | |
| HSIE | | Headphones/earbuds | • | |
| 1 x 128 page A4 book with margin | • | Safety Glasses | • • | |
| Protractor | • | WHS compliant enclosed leather shoes | | |
| Coloured pencils | | Technology (Mandatory) | | |
| Visual Arts | | Safety glasses | • • | |
| 1 x A4 Visual Art Diary | | 2 x 2B pencils | | |
| (portrait, 120 page, 110gsm, spiral bound) | | WHS compliant enclosed leather shoes | | |
| 2 x 2B Pencils | | PDHPE | | |
| WHS compliant enclosed leather shoes | | 1 x 128 page standard Exercise book | • | |
| Language | | Athletic style shoes | | |
| 1 x 128 page standard Exercise book | • | | | |

| EVERY DAY SCHOOL BAG ITEMS | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|--|--|
| 2 x Black pens | Highlighter | | |
| 2 x Blue pens | Ruler | | |
| 2 x Red pens | Eraser | | |
| 2 x HB pencils | Sharpener | | |
| 2 x 2B pencils | Scissors | | |
| Coloured pencils | Glue stick | | |

WANT TO ORDER A BOOK PACK?

The items marked with a blue dot in the list above can be ordered online from Stuart and Dunn. For ordering details visit the Year 6 Transition page on our website:

https://bit.ly/3Hwjigy

Book Packs are \$60.00 and can be delivered to your home address for a small fee, or picked up from their Beresfield office. All other items may be purchased from a retailer of your choice.

Getting in touch

Year 7 Key Contacts



Mr Paul Taylor Principal



Mr Chris Lee Deputy Principal Year 7



Mr Marc Unthank Deputy Principal Years 8 & 10



Mrs Nicole MulhearnDeputy Principal
Year 9



Mrs Jenny Hall Year 7 Advisor Japanese Teacher



Mr Aaron Hoffman Year 7 Advisor Science Teacher

Learning, Support and Wellbeing



Mrs Danielle Shedden Head Teacher Learning & Support



Mrs Amanda Phillips Head Teacher Wellbeing & PDHPE Faculty



Miss Dana Constable Student Support Officer



Mrs Jennifer Wendtman Community Wellbeing Consultant



Mrs Natalie Finn Chaplain



Mr Luke Kendall Head Teacher Aboriginal Learning & Engagement



Mr Nathan Darcy Aboriginal Student Support Officer

Faculty Head Teachers



Mrs Simone Alchin Head Teacher English



Mrs Elizabeth Hewitt **Head Teacher Special** Education



Mr Mark O'Brien **Head Teacher Mathematics**



Other key staff

Mrs Stacy Lambert Head Teacher, Teaching and Learning



Mrs Lisa Campbell Head Teacher Science (Rel.)



Mr Matthew Godsell Attendance



Mr Dane Le Rougetel Head Teacher HSIE (Rel.)



Mr Richard McMahon Careers Advisor



Mr Andrew Johnson **Head Teacher PDHPE**



Mr Hagen Starrett Sports Organiser



Mrs Felicity Maher **Head Teacher TAS** (Food Tech, Textiles, Metalwork, Woodwork)



Mrs Melanie Yorke **Sports Organiser**



Ms Rachel Maybury **Head Teacher CAPA** (Visual Art, Music, Drama, Language)



Mrs Carly Barron ASPIRE Coordinator



Mr David Summerville **Head Teacher Technology**



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Learning at our school

Core Subjects

Year 7 students will experience a range of compulsory core subjects. Some of these will be similar to subjects you experienced in primary school, while others will be completely new to you. You may not know about Technology (Mandatory). This is a hands-on practical subject and Year 7 in 2022 will have lessons in coding, engineering systems, and sewing.

Year 7 subjects are:

• English

- PDHPE
- Mathematics
- Sport

Science

Music

• HSIE

- Art
- Technology (Mandatory)Japanese

Each subject teaches knowledge and skills that are considered essential learning for all young adults in today's world. The core subjects are determined by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA).

Most subjects you will need certain books or pieces of equipment. Please see the list on page 12.

Students will choose elective subjects in Year 8 onwards. More detailed information about the curriculum is accessible to students and families through Canvas, our online learning platform.

Callaghan College is regarded as one of the leading schools in the Hunter Region because of the breadth of its curriculum choices from Years 8 to 12.

Aspire Program

Callaghan College's Aspire Program is designed for students who have advanced learning capacity for their age. Students in our Aspire class will receive targeted, specialised programs designed to accelerate their learning, including extension work within class and compacted curriculum.

Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) Program

Our CAPA Program gives students the opportunity to work with like-minded students in a variety of creative and engaging lessons. They explore their creative interests through modified lesson structures, programs, and assessment activities, with staff collaborating to build creative opportunities across all Key Learning Areas.

SUBJECT FEES

Parents and carers, there are subject fees for some of our Year 7 subjects to cover resources and equipment:

- Technology (Mandatory): \$40
- CAPA (Mandatory) \$40



Special Education Unit

We have a vibrant and inclusive school community, with a number of classes especially designed for students who have a disability and require specialised support.

Our staff work with each of our students and their families to develop an Individual Education Plan (IEP), which includes academic and practical skills for everyday life.

Enrolments to our Support Unit are managed via the Department of Education.

Year 7 Curious Creations Projects

What are "Curious Creations"?

Curious Creations is a Project-based learning opportunity for Year 7 students.

You will be able to choose between 14 different topics for your real life projects (you get to do 3 Curious Creations throughout the year). In 2021 students were able to choose between Basic Cookery, 3D Printing and Laser Cutting, Fitness Fanatics, In Stitches Knitting Group, Make a Skateboard, Special Effects Make-Up, and much more.

Each project will be practical and hands-on, and you will be able to choose something that is relevant to you. You will also be able to go into the community and invite experts to help you as part of your project.

At the end of each project, you will have created something you can use or display. Everyone gets to present or exhibit their own Curious Creation.

Keep your eye out for your opportunities in 2022.

Year 7 Swim Survive

All Year 7 students participate in our Swim Survive Lifesaving Program. This valuable program is held during Term 4 where you will be at Wallsend Swimming Pool for three full days. This is part of the PDHPE Curriculum, Aquatics module.

Any student who successfully completes the program is eligible to purchase a certificate from the Royal Lifesaving Association of Australia.

The cost to attend the program is pool entry fee for each day only (Fitness Passports and Pool Passes may be used).

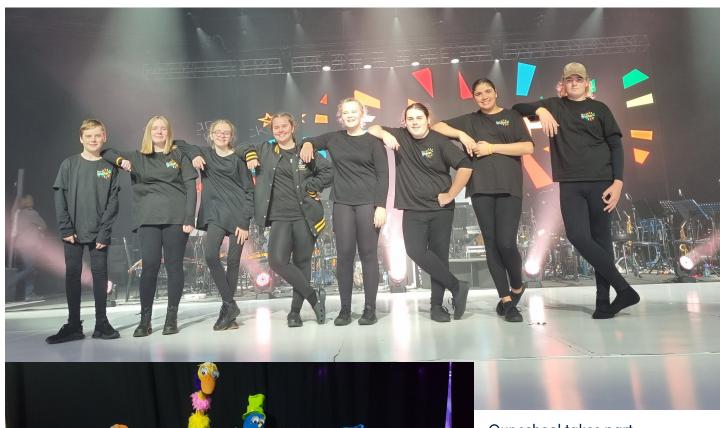






Get involved at school

We have a huge amount of fun activities for students to choose from throughout the year. You can get involved in lunch time sport competitions, music groups and ensembles, chess and art. We are also very active in the community and perform at special events, including Starstruck, School Spectacular and NAIDOC Week.



There are lots of opportunities to participate in physical activities during breaks, in Lunchtime Competitions, teams and fitness groups.



Our school takes part in Star Struck each year and our Puppet Group are a much loved feature of the show. Our students created and performed in these amazing puppets in 2021.





You can audition to be part of our dance troupes, concert band, rock bands or choir. There are performance opportunities throughout the year at school, and at Star Struck and other events.



We raise money and awareness by participating in fundraisers, Harmony Day, R U OK Day and more. Our students enjoy the occasional opportunity to come to school in clothing other than their uniform.







Art at Lunch is very popular with our budding artists! You are welcome to come along.





Aboriginal pathways











At Callaghan College, we continue to improve the educational outcomes and wellbeing of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students so that each student can personally excel in all aspects of their education. We ensure that all of our students feel their culture is valued and celebrated.

Kurrurka is our Learning and Engagement Centre, and is located next to A Block. The centre focuses on providing support and tailored activities to meet every individual student's needs.

Our staff develop a Personalised Learning Pathway (PLP) with each student. These plans are designed to assist students with their engagement and interest in school. We also focus on how we can assist each student's transition from primary school to our senior campus, and beyond.

We actively support and value the cultural knowledge and identity of every Aboriginal and Torres Strait student across the College. There are numerous opportunities for students to undertake cultural leadership roles, including participation in our Junior Aboriginal Education Consultancy Group (JAECG), as well as sharing of cultural knowledge to the whole of our school community though art, performance, and story-telling.

By working with the community and organisations that are culturally safe, we use a holistic approach to supporting our students. We encourage parents, carers and families to be involved in collaborative decision making for the benefit of our students' ongoing growth and achievement.

I look forward to meeting you.

Luke Kendall Head Teacher , Aboriginal Learning and Engagement

Getting into learning

Kudhiliba (The Library)

Kudhiliba, our library, is a wonderful learning space full resources and quiet break out areas. It is on the ground floor of B Block and is open before school (from 8:30am) and both breaks most school days.

You will also have some of your classes in the library. There are five separate and individually designed learning spaces including our Virtual Reality learning space.

As a learning hub, you can use all the resources in the library including laptops and computers, as well as print and digital resources (books, magazines, board games, reference resources etc) for school assignments and your own personal interests and hobbies.

The library hosts regular activities including Chess Club, FAST tutoring support and student exhibitions. We also have competitions that support literacy such as the Book Week short story competition. We have student book reviews, hold craft activities for special events, and support students in literature, literacy, research and referencing.

Our library staff are here to help with all your information needs. We are also big supporters of the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge which we actively encourage our students to get involved with at high school.

LevelUP

In 2022, all Year 7 classes will participate in our brand new program, LevelUP. This program will focus on building the key literacy and numeracy skills that you will need to help you succeed in all your subjects. Lessons will include the explicit teaching of skills using games, puzzles and challenges.



The Hub

Callaghan College Wallsend Campus has a centre for student learning called The Hub. The Hub is located in the Library, downstairs in B Block.

The main focus of the centre is to support student learning, and it is staffed by Learning and Support teachers, who assist a range of student learning needs.

The Hub offers peer tutoring, learning support and is available for students who may need a little extra help with assignments or work in class, or for students who have been away from school for extended periods of time and need some assistance catching up. It also supports students participating in the High Performing Students Program.

To access The Hub, you will need a referral by a classroom teacher or Deputy Principal.



Get involved in sport









Sport in Year 7

Year 7 sport is integrated into your timetable for two periods each fortnight. You will get a chance to improve your skills in a number of different sports and physical activities.

You will also get to do more sport and physical activity in the core subject, PDHPE (Personal development, health and physical education).

PDHPE explores issues that have an impact on our health, as well as the safety and wellbeing of yourself and others – now and in the future. During PDHPE classes, you will experience a combination of theory and practical, and get a chance to participate in physical activity to help you improve your movement skills with confidence.

Students are placed in their sporting house by surname (see our house mascots above).

Other sporting opportunities

We have a very active sports program that runs throughout the year. Students can get involved in team sports including rugby league, basketball, AFL, soccer, lawn bowls, netball, touch football, volleyball, cage soccer, dodge ball, paddle tennis and more.

Wallsend Campus has a proud reputation for students representing the school at zone, regional and state carnivals and competitions.

Throughout the year, you can get involved in lunch time competitions, CHS Knockout competitions and gala days.

We also have Campus Athletics and Swimming carnivals, as well as a College competitive swimming carnival and the cross country competition.

WALLSEND CAMPUS FITNESS PASSPORT

Earn stars for every participation in a PDHPE or sport event in 2022. Students who have achieved enough stars will be rewarded at the end of the year!



NEW

IN

2022









Year 7 Camp













2022 YEAR 7 CAMP

Students will be issued with the full information pack for Year 7 Camp 2022 on Day 1 2022. You can find out everything you need to know, along with payment and permission details. Please make sure to carefully read the information provided and return all permission notes and other forms as required to the student counter of the Administration Office by the due date. Please note, this camp is limited to the first 150 students to return their deposit and permission note.

CAMP DETAILS

WHERE: Aussie Bush Camp

WHEN: Departing Wallsend Campus at 8.00am on Monday 14 March and returning

at approximately 2.30pm on Wednesday 16 March 2022.

TRANSPORT: Bus

COST: Total cost is \$330 per student, with a \$50.00 deposit payable by Friday 11 February 2022.

The balance is to be finalised by Friday 4 March 2022.

Wellbeing Programs

Student wellbeing is an important part of everything we do. Wallsend Campus is proud of our positive school culture. Our school values are backed by a range of programs that aim to provide a safe and supportive learning and social environment for all our students.

Year 7 Peer Support

Our Year 10 student leaders are involved in a formal peer support program to help you navigate your way around high school. Your peer support leader will provide you with a friendly, familiar face around campus and will introduce you to the daily routines of high school life. Our Peer Support program is also a chance for you to meet students in other years.

Year Advisors

Your Year Advisors, Mrs Hall and Mr Hoffman, provide guidance and promote wellbeing of all students in Year 7. They are your first contact if you have any concerns or you want to find out what additional support might be available for your specific needs at school.

They also organise events, assemblies and excursions for your Year group. Our Year Advisors are one of the main points of contact at the school for your parents or carers.

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club runs every day in classroom A1 from 8am. Every student is welcome to come and have some breakfast before class. It's also a great way to start the school day.

Learning Support

We have a team of teachers that are dedicated to providing additional learning support to students who may benefit from having some help outside the classroom. Your parents can contact your Year Advisor or Head Teacher Learning and Support to find out more about how to access these services.

Supportive Environment

To maintain a safe and supportive environment for everyone, we have very clear processes for managing any harassment, discrimination, violence or bullying at school. For more information about our expectations and policies about student behaviour, please go to our website.

Inclusive culture

We celebrate a rich diverse culture at Wallsend. Many students have families with connections from across the world. As a school community, we recognise the value and richness of multiculturalism. We get involved each year in special events such as Harmony Day and Refugee Week across the College.

We also provide one-on-one and group support for students where English is a second language. Teachers help students to improve their written and spoken English skills in parallel with their class subjects.

The school does not tolerate any form of racism and we have an Anti–Racism Community officer (ARCO) and supporting policies.



School reports

School Reports

School reports are produced twice per year, at the end of each semester. Your report will list your achievement, effort and behaviour for each subject.

The Assessment of Achievement is based on the following grades:

A Outstanding

B High

C Sound

D Basic

E Limited

All reports are emailed directly to your parent/carer and are also available to view and/or download at any time on the Sentral Parent Portal.

Parent/Teacher Evenings

Interim reports are issued at the end of Term 1 and Term 3. These reports provide a brief overview of your progress and are available for you and your parents prior to Parent Teacher Evenings. These evenings are an opportunity for your parents/carers to discuss your progress in person. You will be advised when bookings are open and can be made via the Sentral Parent Portal.

Parents/carers are also most welcome to make an appointment with your teacher/s if they need to discuss anything with them by contacting the Administration office to arrange an interview.

Bell times and school terms

All roll marking at Wallsend Campus is completed online and will be marked at the start of each period. Important information is also communicated to students during roll marking so you need to make sure to get to class on time.

| BELL TIMES | | | | |
|------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| | MON/TUES/THURS | WEDNESDAY | FRIDAY | |
| PERIOD 1 | | | SPORT | |
| PERIOD 2 | 10.00am | 10.00am - Assembly 10.55am | CREATIONS Years Year 7 8-10 | |
| BREAK 1 | 11.00am (30 min) | 11.15am (30 min) | 11.00am (30min) | |
| PERIOD 3 | 11.30am | 11.45am | 11.30am | |
| PERIOD 4 | 12.30pm | 12.40pm | 12.30pm | |
| BREAK 2 | 1.30pm (30 min) | 1.35pm (30 min) | Early finish: 1.30pm | |
| PERIOD 5 | 2.00pm | 2.05pm | | |
| FINISH | 3.00pm | 3.00pm | | |

| 2022 TERM DATES FOR YEAR 7 | | |
|----------------------------|--|--|
| TERM 1 | Tuesday 1 February (Years 8—10 return 2/2/22) to Friday 8 April 2022 | |
| TERM 2 | Wednesday 27 April – Friday 24 June 2022 | |
| TERM 3 | Tuesday 19 July – Friday 23 September 2022 | |
| TERM 4 | Monday 10 October – Monday 19 December 2022 | |



EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

| When your child misses just | that equals | which is | and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| 10 minutes a day | 50 minutes of learning each week | Nearly 1½ weeks per year | Nearly ½ a year of school |
| 20 minutes a day | 1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week | Nearly 2½ weeks per year | Nearly a year of school |
| ½ hour a day | ½ a day of learning a week | 4 weeks a year | Nearly 1 ½ years of learning |
| 1 hour each day | 1 whole day of learning each week | 8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year. | Over 2 ½ years of learning |



Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

Check the time CCWC school starts. DON'T BE LATE!











Rewards and awards

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

We celebrate students throughout the year who demonstrate excellence and commitment to their learning, and active participation in our school community.

GOTCHA Awards: Class teachers and other staff members award students throughout the course of the day with an electronic GOTCHA award for making a positive

contribution to the school in some way. The student who has achieved the most GOTCHA awards during the week for each year group is awarded with a \$5.00 canteen voucher and a certificate at our weekly assemblies.

YEAR ADVISOR AWARDS: At our Year Assemblies, which are generally held twice per term, our Year Advisors choose one or two students to be rewarded for excellence. This can be for many reasons, for example, working hard, citizenship or engagement in class.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS: Each Term, the students whose attendance is 95% or above go into a draw to win a prize.

SEMESTER AWARDS

Every student has a chance to be recognised in our First in Class Awards. These are given out every semester to the student who comes first in every class, of every subject, in every year group right through from Year 7 to Year 10.

ANNUAL AWARDS

CELEBRATION OF LEARNING WEEK:
Award Ceremonies are held at the
end of Term 4 at a special assembly for
each Year Group. Academic, leadership,
citizenship, cultural and encouragement
awards are given at these assemblies.

ANNUAL SPORTS PRESENTATION: We hold a Sports Presentation each year for our amazing sports persons. Students are recognised for their achievements in individual and team sports, age champions, lunchtime competition winners and more. Talk to your PDHPE teacher for more information regarding getting involved in sport at CCWC.

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE AWARDS

Our students are also recognised across the Callaghan Education Pathways in many ways, including the Education Week awards and the Aboriginal Recognition Ceremony. The Callaghan College Excellence Awards recognise students outstanding achievements at the end of each year.



School values

RESPECT

- Our students appreciate the rights of others to learn in a safe and caring environment; we acknowledge that our differences are what makes us all special.
- Our staff provide a learning environment that caters for all types of learning. We establish positive relationships and celebrate diversity.
- We encourage our families to be key players in their child's education.

RESPONSIBILITY

- Our students strive for personal best in all endeavours and are prepared to commit to the goal of maximising personal outcomes.
- Our staff provide a world class learning environment that embraces collaboration, communication, creativity and critical thinking.
- We work collaboratively with the community to ensure that students are guided and encouraged through Years 7 - 10 to best meet their educational and personal goals.

EXCELLENCE

- Take advantage of every opportunity to extend your learning and to pursue your personal best in all areas.
- Our teachers utilise best practice in all aspects of their preparation for teaching, learning, reporting and evaluating.
- Our community can utilise all avenues of the school for positive partnerships, open communication and good management.









Support for learning

Introducing our Learning and Support Team

Our Learning and Support Team works closely with teachers, students, parents and outside professionals to cater for the individual support needs of students.

Services provided by our Learning and Support Team include:

- Assessment of student learning needs
- Targeted intervention programs e.g. literacy, numeracy, and organisational skills
- In-class support
- The development of Individual Education Plans (IEP's)
- Emotional and behaviour intervention and support groups
- Advice for accessing internal and external professional support services
- Determining appropriate adjustments, including the modification of curriculum, assessment, exams and appropriate extension programs
- Determining appropriate extension programs for high achieving students
- Transition programs
- Professional development sessions to enhance teacher skills and understanding.

WHAT ABOUT HOMEWORK?

All students are expected to complete some work at home. You may have a set task or assessment task to complete or if not, you should go back over to revise what class work has been done that day.

You and your parents /carers can see what homework tasks have been set in CANVAS.

FAST Homework Centre

The Wallsend Campus Free After School Tutoring (FAST) Centre will be operating again in 2022. If you need assistance with any school learning activities, homework or assessment tasks, just come along to the FAST centre for an after school snack and study session.

Keep an eye on the Daily Notices and our school Facebook page to find out what days the FAST Centre will be open.

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD - TIPS FOR PARENTS

Mrs Danielle Shedden, Head Teacher Learning and Support

Wallsend Campus is fully inclusive and every student is supported to achieve their greatest potential. Learning progression in high school differs vastly from primary school and it is normal for new Year 7's to feel a little overwhelmed initially as they adjust to these changes.

If your child is struggling or has concerns about their learning we encourage you to address these concerns early. Start with a conversation with your child – find out what they find challenging and what would make a difference for them.

We also encourage you to contact your child's classroom teachers and/or Year Advisors for support. Our Learning and Support Team are here to help for more complex issues, such as learning or wellbeing difficulties, diagnosis and/or disability.

If you would like to know more, or to provide additional information to assist us in meeting your child's individual learning and support needs, please contact us for an appointment.

How we communicate

Our school's communication channels to parents and carers

Office hours: 8.30am until 3.15pm on school days

Phone: 02 4951 1811

Email: wallsend-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Email

Our main form of communication with families is email so it is very important for your parents to have an email address that is checked regularly. We will email any absence notifications, newsletters, school reports, invoices, invitations and notification of award ceremonies, quick news, and much more.

Sentral Parent Portal

Your parents can view your timetable, attendance and the daily notices from the school. This is also where to view and print out school reports and where to book Parent Teacher Interviews.

See our website to find more information on how to register and login to the Sentral Parent Portal.

Newsletter

Our newsletter is emailed to all families around twice per term. There you can find out more about what is happening at school, check the 'Dates for your Diary', get a glimpse into our faculties and more.

Please contact the Administration Office if you would like a printed copy.

Canvas

Canvas, our online learning platform, allows you and your parents 24/7 access to your learning from anywhere.

There are lessons, resources, online access to homework and revision, assessment tasks and schedules. There is also a calendar and you can personalise your notifications for announcements or assessment task updates via email and/or text.

Website

wallsend-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

Right at the top of the page are links to our Newsletter and the secure payment page if you need to pay any subject or excursion fees.

Our website can be used as a starting point when you want to access Sentral or Canvas as all the links are on the home page.

We have lots more information on our website and it is getting updated all the time. Keep watching!

Message from the Administration Office

Don't forget to notify us if you have made any changes to your contact details, including phone number, address, email address or change to emergency contact details.

Please note that if you change your address in our system, the Department of Education requires us to take a copy of your proof of residence, e.g. Rates Notice, utility bill, lease or mortgage documents. Please note that we are unable to accept a drivers licence as proof of address.

A Change of Details form can be found on our website or collected from the Administration office.

SMS

0429 55 01 88

Is our dedicated phone number that parents/carers can send a text message to explain absences from school.

Facebook/Instagram

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram where we share lots of updates and snapshots of the activities and achievements of our students.

What to do if...

I am late to school: If you arrive late to school you will need a signed and dated note from your parent or carer, explaining why you are late. Give this note to the Administration Office who will issue you with a Late Slip. You will then need to provide this Late Slip to your class teacher.

You can see information regarding the impact absences have on your learning on page 26.

I am late for class: If you are delayed in a previous class by a teacher, ask for a note with a reason for your lateness, and give this note to your next teacher as soon as you get there. Unexplained lateness to class can result in disciplinary action so be mindful to be punctual to class at all times.

I am very early to school: Please wait under the main COLA until staff come on duty to supervise students from 8.30am each day.

I feel sick at school: If you are feeling unwell, your teacher will issue you with a note so that you can see the First Aid Officer, located in the Print Room. The First Aid Officer will assess you, and provide treatment if appropriate. If necessary, your parent/carer will be phoned by the school to collect you (do not call or text home yourself if you are feeling unwell).

For students with a medical pass, please show the teacher and ask to go to the First Aid officer if you are feeling unwell.

I lost my timetable: Log onto the Sentral Student Portal and print your timetable, or you can save it as an image and keep it on your phone or BYOD. You can also print it out in the Kudhiliba (the library), library staff are happy to assist you with this.

I am not in correct uniform: Bring a note from home explaining why and go and see your Deputy Principal when you get to school.

Eligible families can apply for Student Assistance to help with uniform purchases. Please contact our Administration Office for more details. I am lost: Any member of staff is able to help you, ask other students or make your way to the Administration Office for assistance.

I need to leave school early: Bring a note from your parent/carer explaining the time you will be collected and why you need to leave early. Collect your 'Leave Early Slip' from the Administration Office and keep it with you until you need to show the slip to your class teacher who will allow you to leave class.

If your parent or carer needs to pick you up unexpectedly, they need to report to the Administration Office first (*Parents, please phone the Office before you arrive, to give as much notice as possible, so we can notify your child that they will be collected*).

I lost something at school: You are responsible for your own belongings at high school. If you do lose something, check if it has been handed in at the Administration Office. We recommend that students do not bring large sums of money or valuables to school.

I lost my textbook: You may be loaned textbooks from the school, which you will need to return when your teacher requests. If you lose or damage a loaned textbook, the school will expect you to pay for its replacement.

I am having trouble with another student:
Please talk to one of your teachers or your
Year Advisor who will help you work out what
to do next.

I want to go to the toilet during class: We encourage you to go to the toilet during lunch or recess. Your teacher will give you a note and allow you to go if it is an emergency only.

I can't do sport due to illness or injury: Bring a note from your parent/carer explaining the reason why you cannot do sport and present to your PDHPE or sport teacher at the start of the lesson.

Our Canteen

Our school canteen has lots of great and healthy options before school, and during breaks. Watch the boards for daily specials.

Breakfast: The canteen opens at 8.30am in the morning each day and is open until the bell goes at 8.55am. You can buy from the yummy breakfast menu or place an order for lunch or recess (this makes it quicker to pick up at break time).

Here is an example of items that are available to purchase before school:

- Bacon and Egg Roll
- Brekky Wrap
- Fruit Salad
- Banana Bread
- Ham and Cheese Toastie
- Cheese and Bacon Roll

Recess (Break 1): The bell goes after Period 2 for Recess at 11.00am and you can visit the canteen until the bell goes for Period 3 at 11.30am. (Recess is between 11.15am and 11.45am on Wednesdays due to Assembly). If you have ordered your recess via Flexischools or at the canteen before school you will line up in the area designated for pre-orders.

On Fridays, due to our early finish, this is the only break that the Canteen will be open.

Lunch (Break 2): After Period 4, the bell goes at 1.30pm for lunch (1.35pm on Wednesdays due to Assembly). On Fridays, due to our early finish at 1.30pm, the canteen does not open for lunch.

There is a wide range of hot and cold food available during both breaks. Choose from:

- Assorted salads, sandwiches and wraps. Such as Chicken Caesar Salad, Garden Salad and Pesto Veggie Pasta Salad. Make sure you take advantage of our online ordering system or order before school to make sure you get your preference.
- Homemade Burgers, including beef, chicken and veggie with lots of options available (including Gluten Free).
- 100% beef and reduced fat Sausage Rolls and Pies.
- Pasta, such as Veggie Pasta and Spaghetti Bolognaise
- Vegetarian Nachos.

Our menu is seasonal with lots of home made and healthy options. Check out the specials board or see the full menu in the Flexischools App.

Snacks and drinks: We have a wide range of snacks and drinks ready to purchase over the counter (or via the App) and available during Break 1 or 2, such as:

- Veggie Snack Packs
- Sushi
- Muffins
- Protein Balls
- Water, juices and milks
- And lots more.

Sflexischools

Skip the queues and order your breakfast, recess or lunch via the Flexischools App.

Visit the Flexischools website to find out more about this canteen ordering system

https://www.flexischools.com.au/parents



Year 7 Immunisation

A message from NSW Health



Year 7 vaccinations: Free for all Year 7 students

Dear Parent/Guardian

Teams of specially trained registered nurses will be visiting our school during Year 7 to offer free vaccinations against serious preventable diseases

Vaccines include:

- 1. Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine (2 doses)
- 2. Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) (dTpa) vaccine (1 dose)

THESE VACCINES ARE ONLY PROVIDED FREE FOR YEAR 7 STUDENTS

What do you need to do?

- ✓ Year 7 Parent Information Kit will be distributed by your school at the beginning of first term
- ✓ Read the information included in the Kit (translated copies are available on the website below)
- ✓ ENSURE FORM IS COMPLETED CORRECTLY, AND SIGN FOR EACH VACCINE REQUIRED.
- ✓ COMPLETE CONSENT FORMS IN BLUE OR BLACK PEN ONLY

On the day of the vaccination clinic:

- ✓ Ensure your child has eaten breakfast the morning of the clinic
- ✓ Ensure your child is wearing clothing that enables the upper arm to be exposed.

Ask your child for the record of vaccination when they arrive home on the day of the clinic – keep this record in a safe place (eg. baby's' blue book), ideally notify your GP for their records.

What if your child misses a vaccine?

You won't need to do anything. Every effort will be made to catch-up missed vaccines at other clinics at your child's school during the year or the following year when they are in Year 8.

More questions?

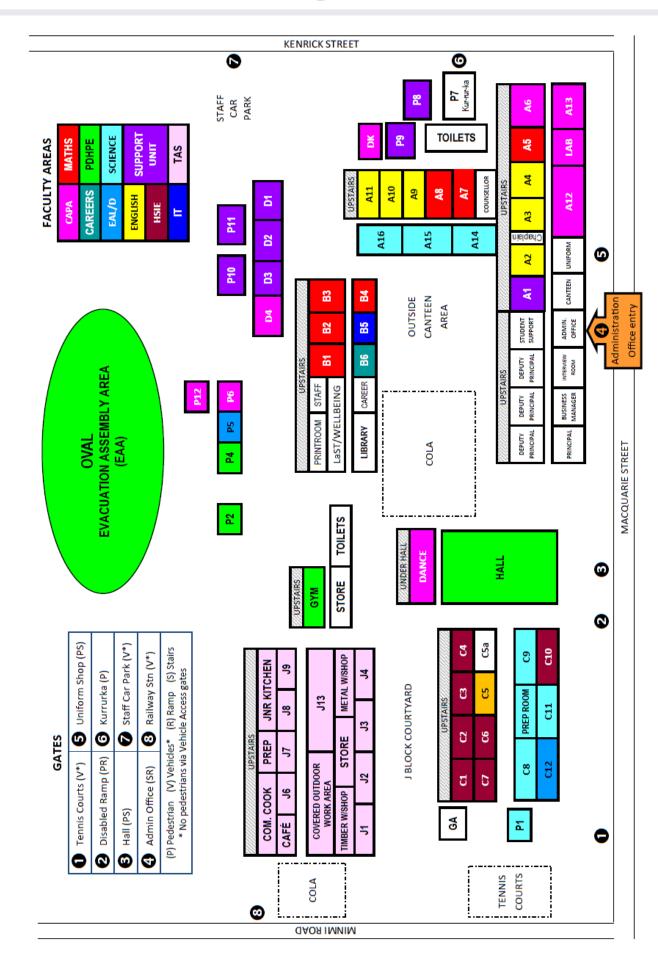
Please contact Hunter New England Local Health District, Immunisation Unit

Phone: 02 4924 6477

Email: hnelhd-phimmunisation@health.nsw.gov.au

Website: http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/schoolvaccination.aspx

School map (not to scale)







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